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☐ Other

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## PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Donald D. Exline and William A. Pierce ("Assignors"), citizens of the United States, residing at Fort Worth, Texas, inventors of the invention entitled "Universal Seal for Use with Endoscopic Cannula" for which we have executed an application for a patent of the United States of even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, Dexide, Inc., a Texas corporation ("Assignee"), is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the same invention and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10) to the said ASSIGNORS in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said ASSIGNORS, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention, and the said United States application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues thereof; and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under the Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; all forms of industrial property protection, including, without limitation, patents, utility models and design which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and any and all causes of action thereto that may have heretofore accrued in ASSIGNORS' favor;

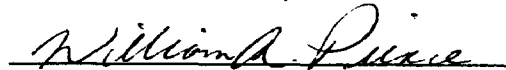
AND WE HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisions, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seal this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1978

  
DONALD D. EXLINE, Inventor

  
WILLIAM A. PIERCE, Inventor

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TARRANT

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Donald D. Exline, known to me to be the person of that name, who signed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 1998

(Notary Seal)

Muriel R. Beck  
Notary Public, State of Texas  
Muriel R. Beck  
Printed Name of Notary  
Commission Expires 3/15/99

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My Commission Expires 3-15-99

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TARRANT

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared William A. Pierce, known to me to be the person of that name, who signed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 1998

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